

PATENT APPLICATION

Applicant: Zerhusen et al.

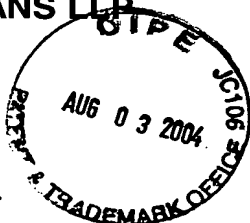
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Title: BED SIDERAILS HAVING
FLEXIBLE PORTIONS

Group: 3673 Examiner: Lee, J.

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On July 30, 2004

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Dated: July 30, 2004

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TOTAL CLAIMS (37 C.F.R. 1.16(c))	28	28	0	\$18	\$0
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS (37 C.F.R. 1.16(b))	8	4	4	\$86	\$344
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TOTAL FEE FOR ADDITIONAL CLAIMS					\$344

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\$344

A check in the amount of \$_____ to cover the total fee for this
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RESPONSE TO OFFICIAL ACTION

MAIL STOP AMENDMENT
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Official Action mailed April 30, 2004, please consider the remarks and amendments herein.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.

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